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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement				
1.	Statement			
	Novelty (N)	Claims	1-9	YES
		Claims		NO NO
	Inventive step (IS)	Claims	1-9	YES
		Claims		NO NO
	Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-9	YES
		Claims		NO NO

2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

Reference is made to the following document:

- D1: KIESSLING, M.; SPEIDEL, J.; GENG, N.;

 REINHARDT, M.: "Performance analysis of MIMO maximum likelihood receivers with channel correlation, colored gaussian noise, and linear prefiltering" ICC '03. IEEE

 INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON COMMUNICATIONS, Vol. 5, 11 May 2003 (2003-05-11), 15 May 2003 (2003-05-15) pages 3026-3030, XP002270467 USA
- Document D1 is considered the prior art closest to the subject matter of claim 1 and discloses (the references between parentheses refer to that document)
 - a transmission-side pre-filtering of symbols to be transmitted (see from page 3026 Chapter II). As a result of the described pre-filtering, receipt of the symbols is improved with regard to the bit error rate BER and the signal-to-noise ratio SNR, the pre-filtering being based on statistic algorithms (see page 3026, left-hand column,

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second and third paragraphs).

2. The subject matter of claim 1 thus differs from the known method in that, in order to improve the channel estimation carried out with the aid of training sequences, the training sequences are adapted by the pre-filter to the radio transmission channel properties, the pre-filter being dimensioned as a function of the spatial correlations in order to attain a predefined error value of an algorithm used for channel estimation.

The subject matter of claim 1 is thus novel (PCT Article 33(2)).

- 3. The present invention can therefore be considered to address the problem of providing channel estimation with improved accuracy.
- 4. The solution to this problem as proposed in claim 1 of the present application involves an inventive step (PCT Article 33(3)) for the following reasons:

The combination of features mentioned under point 2 above is neither disclosed by nor obvious from any of the documents that are cited in the search report.

5. Claims 2-9 are dependent on claim 1 and therefore likewise meet the PCT requirements for novelty and inventive step.

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